are established under the State Sector Minimum Needs Programme. The targets for opening of new CHCs and PHCs are arrived at by the Planning Commission, keeping in view the population of the area, availability of infrastructure and manpower and availability of funds.

Target for opening of new CHCs and PHCs in Maharashtra during the last three years are as indicated below:—

	Target for		
	1992-93	1993-94	1994-95
PHCs	10	—	—
CHCs	5	5	—

The Government of Maharashtra has informed that the State Govt. has prepared a Master Plan based on the 1991 population. Requirement of new centres as per the Master Plan is indicated below:—

Sl. No.	Institution	TSP	Non TSP	Total
1.	Sub-Centres	367	2171	2538
2.	PH Centres	66	350	416
3.	CH Centres	12	86	98

Introduction of electronic voting machines

2598. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposed to introduce electronic voting machines in the next General Elections;

(b) whether Government or non-Governmental organisations have conducted survey about the use of electronic voting machines in the next General Elections;

(c) if so, the outcome thereof; and

(d) the reaction of Government on the introduction of electronic voting machines in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ): (a) The Election Commission of India has informed that it has decided to explore the possibility of using the Electronic Voting Machine in the next general elections.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) Government is in favour of existing Electronic Voting Machines being put to use in elections wherever feasible.

Catering Services at Railway Stations

2599. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of platforms in each of the 68 railway stations where catering services are departmentally run;

(b) the number of stalls and the products sold/permitted to be sold at each such stall;

(c) the amount of fee collected from each stall the amount of commission, if any, earned from each stall during the financial years 1993-94 and 1994-95 and the duration of the contract for each stall;

(d) the number of trains stopping at these stations every day and the estimated number of passengers travelling on these trains every day; and

(e) the details of the catering corporation proposed to be set up by Government and the likely time frame within which this will be set up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SURESH KALMADI): (a) to (e) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Amount owed to Industries

2600. SHRI SANJAY DALMIA: Will

the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the amount owed by Government departments and Public Sector Units to the Small / Large Scale Industries; and

(b) what is the mechanism to settle disputes involving small and large scale units?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) The information rgarding amount owed by the Government Departments and the PSUs to the small/large scale industries is not centrally maintained.

(b) Under the Interest on Delayed Payments to Small Scale and Ancillary Industrial Undertakings Act, 1993 the disputes relating to delays in payments are settled by means of a civil suit.

Series of Bomb-Blasts averted in Srinagar

2601. SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether a series of bomb blasts on the pattern of Bombay series of blasts of December, 1992 was averted in October this year with the arrest of 7 militants with enormous quantities of sophisticated explosive material and detonating devices in Srinagar; and

(b) what are the details of the planned blow-up identified as a result of the investigations and other findings?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI): (a) and (b) On October 14, 1995, acting on specific information, the security forces alongwith the J&K Police conducted search operation in Jawahar Nagar, Srinagar, and apprehended four militants of the Hizbul-Mujahideen outfit. From their possession, 3 IEDs, 3 Battery switches, 5 Detonators, 3 programmed time devices, 10 metres of Cordex and other incrimination material was recovered. It was revealed during investigations that these militants were planning to cause explosions in the MLA's Hostel, Civil Secretariat and Divisional Commissioner/Dy. Commissioner's Offices in Srinagar.

आरक्षण कोटे के अंतर्गत उपलब्ध करवायी गयी नौकरियां

2602. **श्री ईश दत्त यादव:**
चौधरी हरमोहन सिंह:

क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) वर्ष 1992 में मंडल आयोग की सिफारिशों को श्रेणीवार लागू किए जाने के बाद अन्य पिछड़ा वर्ग के लिए 27 प्रतिशत कोटे के अंतर्गत राज्यवार और संघ राज्य क्षेत्रवार कुल कितने लोगों को कितनी नौकरियां दी गईं;

(ख) आरक्षण रोस्टर के अनुसार प्रत्येक श्रेणी में कुल कितने पद सृजित किए जाने की आवश्यकता है और गत दो वर्षों के दौरान कितने पद सृजित किए गए तथा कुल कितने पद अब भी रिक्त पड़े हैं;

(ग) इन पदों को कब तक भरे जाने की संभावना है; और

(घ) भविष्य में अन्य पिछड़ा वर्ग के लिए आरक्षण की नीति को पूर्णरूपेण कार्यान्वित करने के लिए क्या कदम उठाए गए है?

कार्मिक, लोक शिकायत तथा पेंशन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती मारग्रेट आल्वा): (क) से (ग) केन्द्रीय सरकार द्वारा जिन अन्य पिछड़े वर्ग के लोगों को नौकरियां उपलब्ध करवायी गयी हैं, उनकी संख्या संबंधी सितम्बर—दिसम्बर, 1993 तथा कैलेन्डर वर्ष 1994 की अवधि की सूचना एकत्रित की जा रही है। तथापि, केन्द्रीय सरकार द्वारा राज्य वार तथा संघ राज्य क्षेत्रवार अन्य पिछड़े वर्ग के लोगों को उपलब्ध करवायी गयी नौकरियों का ब्यौरा केन्द्रीकृत रूप से नहीं रखा जाता है।

(घ) अन्य पिछड़े वर्ग की आरक्षण नीति को पूर्णरूपेण कार्यान्वित करने के लिए उठाए गए कदमों में अन्य पिछड़े वर्ग की समान (कॉमन) सूचियां अधिसूचित करना, सम्पन्न वर्ग (क्रीमी लेयर) को बाहर करना, रोस्टर संशोधन, ऊपरी आयु सीमा में तीन वर्ष की छूट तथा